

Table 89.—Public elementary and secondary students, schools, pupil/teacher ratios, and finances, by type of locale: 1995 and 1996

Characteristic	Total	Large central city ¹	Mid-size central city ²	Urban fringe of large city ³	Urban fringe of mid-size city ⁴	Large town ⁵	Small town ⁶	Rural ⁷
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
Schools, enrollment, and teachers, 1996–97								
Enrollment, in thousands	45,705	8,300	7,597	13,588	4,330	803	5,279	5,808
Schools	88,223	12,109	13,019	21,523	7,828	1,616	12,516	19,609
Average school size ⁸	527	729	590	635	560	506	430	299
Pupil/teacher ratio ⁹	17.3	18.5	17.1	17.9	17.4	17.2	16.5	15.6
Enrollment (percent distribution)	100.0	18.2	16.6	29.7	9.5	1.8	11.6	12.7
Schools (percent distribution)	100.0	13.7	14.8	24.4	8.9	1.8	14.2	22.2
Revenues and expenditures, 1994–95 (in millions)								
Total revenue	\$267,361	\$51,109	\$43,649	\$83,883	\$23,728	\$4,076	\$27,654	\$33,263
Federal	17,588	4,932	3,285	3,267	1,315	316	2,249	2,223
Impact aid	679	61	88	143	53	14	129	191
Bilingual education	31	7	5	5	2	2	5	6
Indian education	47	3	4	4	1	2	15	19
Children with disabilities	1,918	391	357	537	166	36	229	202
Eisenhower science awards	158	45	30	36	12	3	17	15
Drug Free schools	281	74	54	65	22	5	32	30
Chapter 2 (block grants)	323	86	59	71	24	6	39	39
Vocational education	569	183	112	99	39	11	74	52
Chapter 1	6,347	1,984	1,217	971	440	113	823	798
Other and unclassified	7,235	2,098	1,361	1,337	556	125	886	871
State	126,688	23,667	21,973	34,031	11,719	2,258	15,182	17,858
State school lunch programs	441	107	90	94	39	5	50	56
Local	123,085	22,510	18,391	46,585	10,693	1,501	10,222	13,183
Property tax ¹⁰	82,657	13,301	11,778	33,429	6,697	1,051	7,325	9,076
Parent government contribution ¹⁰	22,271	5,839	3,693	7,761	2,210	162	889	1,717
Lunch sales	4,121	500	642	1,373	434	74	497	601
Transportation	35	3	5	16	3	1	4	3
Other	14,001	2,866	2,273	4,005	1,349	213	1,508	1,786
Total revenue (percent distribution)	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Federal	6.6	9.6	7.5	3.9	5.5	7.8	8.1	6.7
State	47.4	46.3	50.3	40.6	49.4	55.4	54.9	53.7
Local	46.0	44.0	42.1	55.5	45.1	36.8	37.0	39.6
Total expenditures	\$264,336	\$51,145	\$43,349	\$83,108	\$23,287	\$4,048	\$27,147	\$32,252
Current expenditures	239,725	46,729	39,379	74,775	20,962	3,712	24,830	29,337
Instruction	147,620	28,884	24,081	45,792	13,201	2,298	15,369	17,995
Operation and maintenance	23,748	4,961	3,948	7,561	1,916	368	2,302	2,692
Food service	10,024	1,959	1,712	2,509	921	175	1,308	1,440
Other	58,333	10,925	9,638	18,913	4,925	871	5,850	7,211
Capital outlay	19,433	3,521	3,167	6,531	1,814	262	1,857	2,280
Interest on school debt	5,179	896	803	1,801	511	74	460	634
Current expenditures (percent distribution)	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Instruction	61.6	61.8	61.2	61.2	63.0	61.9	61.9	61.3
Operation and maintenance	9.9	10.6	10.0	10.1	9.1	9.9	9.3	9.2
Food service	4.2	4.2	4.3	3.4	4.4	4.7	5.3	4.9
Other	24.3	23.4	24.5	25.3	23.5	23.5	23.6	24.6
Current expenditure per student	\$5,481	\$5,881	\$5,388	\$5,859	\$5,034	\$4,744	\$4,812	\$5,225
Instruction expenditure per student	3,375	3,635	3,295	3,588	3,170	2,937	2,979	3,205

¹ Central city of metropolitan statistical area (MSA) with population of 400,000 or more or a population density of 6,000 or more persons per square mile.

² Central city of an MSA but not designated as a large central city.

³ Place within the MSA of a large central city.

⁴ Place within the MSA of a mid-size central city.

⁵ Place not within an MSA but with population of 25,000 or more and defined as urban.

⁶ Place not within an MSA with a population of at least 2,500 but less than 25,000.

⁷ Place with a population of less than 2,500.

⁸ Average for schools reporting enrollment.

⁹ Ratio for schools reporting both FTE teachers and fall enrollment data.

¹⁰ Property tax and parent government contributions are determined on the basis of independence or dependence of the local school system and are mutually exclusive.

NOTE.—Locale classification procedures not comparable with previous years. Enrollments by locale were used to distribute school district revenue and expenditure amounts by locale classification.

SOURCE: U.S. Department of Education, National Center for Education Statistics, Common Core of Data survey; and U.S. Department of Commerce, Bureau of the Census, *Survey of Local Government Finances*, unpublished data. (This table was prepared February 1999.)